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## DETAILED ACTION

### *Response to Amendment*

1. The reply filed on 22 November 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

The restriction requirement required election of, *inter alia*,

“B. Hydroxide (one **specific** hydroxide or **specific** hydroxide combination as indicated in the instant specification at, for example, paragraph [0027])”

and

“C. Fluoride (one **specific** fluoride or **specific** fluoride combination as indicated in the instant specification at, for example, paragraph [0028])” (Emphasis in original.)

In the election, Applicant indicated that “B-inorganic” and “C-inorganic” were the elected species. These are not specific hydroxides or specific fluorides, as an inorganic compounds are not all hydroxides and are not all fluorides. Literally, hundreds of thousands of inorganic compounds exist.

In the event the restriction in this regard was unclear, Examiner is repeating herein below the lettered groups B and C, so that Applicant may make the election of species complete.

To **complete** the election, Applicant must elect one from each of the following lettered Groups B and C:

B. Hydroxide (see instant specification, paragraph [0027])

- B-1. ammonium hydroxide
- B-2. tetramethyl ammonium hydroxide
- B-3. tert-butyl ammonium hydroxide,
- B-4. some other specified quaternary ammonium hydroxide
- B-5. sodium hydroxide
- B-6. potassium hydroxide
- B-7. some other specified alkali metal hydroxide
- B-8. one specific combination of the above

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C. Fluoride (see instant specification at, for example, paragraph [0028])

- C-1. ammonium fluoride
- C-2. tetramethyl ammonium fluoride
- C-3. tert-butyl ammonium fluoride
- C-4. some other specified quaternary ammonium fluoride
- C-5. lithium fluoride
- C-6. potassium fluoride
- C-7. sodium fluoride
- C-8. some other specified alkali metal fluoride
- C-9. one specific combination of the above

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Erik Kielin whose telephone number is 571-272-1693. The examiner can normally be reached from 9:00 - 19:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Carl Whitehead, Jr. can be reached on 571-272-1702. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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